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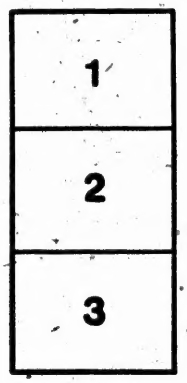

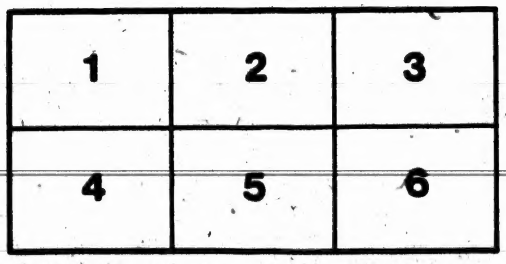

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and communicated by the Right Honourable EARL

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EXPLANATION of the CONDITIONS for SETTLERS

dated 22d

THE COMMISSIONER IN THE AGENCY FOR GOVERNMENT, has received a vast number of Letters, requesting information in regard to the Terms that have been Published for APPLICANTS TO BE SETTLERS IN CANADA.

It has been impossible to give Answers to all these Letters, consistently with the necessary attention to other branches of this business, especially as the time of Embarkation fixed by Government (*i. e.* in April in the Clyde) fast approaches.

Many of the questions put, may be easily solved, by an attentive re-perusal of these Terms, or by having recourse to Intelligent Neighbours, and are to be found in all the Newspapers published in Scotland for several weeks back, and they have been already transmitted for Publicity to every Clergyman, and will be immediately pasted upon every Post-Office throughout Scotland. They will also be seen or delivered at the Office in Abercromby Place, Edinburgh, and at Mr Duncan's, Printer to the University, Morison's Court, Glasgow.

It cannot be too much impressed on the minds of Applicants, nor too often enforced by those with whom they advise, that the wishes and intentions of his Majesty's Government are directed, not to an increase of emigration from this part of the United Kingdom, but to divert to the British Provinces in North America the surplus Population which would otherwise proceed to the United States. Accordingly, no solicitation whatever has been used by this Office to induce Persons or Families to go to Canada.

The Agent for Government, agreeably to the Instructions received, has uniformly abstained from exciting any desire for leaving Scotland that did not before exist, and has repeatedly pointed out, especially to the [illegible] every circumstance of information, to prevent misunderstanding, and to preclude the possibility of disappointment.

The following Particulars, published by authority of His Majesty's Government, will serve as an Explanation of the Terms offered to Settlers properly recommended, and will [illegible] the necessity of answering many of these letters, and of many verbal enquiries

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EC[illegible]NT, acting in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty,
L [illegible]HURST, one of the Principal Secretaries of State.

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[illegible]n UPPER and LOWER CANADA, already Published,
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ACCOMMODATION ON THE PASSAGE.

10. The Freight or charge for Children above 16 and under 21, to be paid for as grown persons.

11. Bedding and other accommodation will be provided for each Settler, the same as Troops embarked for Canada receive.

12. If Surgeons are required for the Voyage, they will be provided by the Transport Board.

13. If Settlers shall export articles liable to Export duties here, or Import duties in Canada, they cannot be exempted from the usual Custom-house Regulations.

14. No travelling expence paid to Glasgow. From thence the Settlers will be conveyed in small vessels, to the Transport vessels.

15. Settlers will be carried out in Transports, under the same regulations as those under which Troops are carried out, two tons being allowed per man.

16. The necessary Tonnage will be in the Clyde in April, and proceed to Quebec as soon after as circumstances will permit.

17. In regard to Pensions of Serjeants, Privates, &c. measures will be taken by Government for continuing their pensions, and for their payment in Canada.

OTHER PARTICULARS.

18. As to single Men, (for instance two Brothers,) who may be under or above 21 years of age, they go out as Independent Settlers, *i. e.* each Brother, above 21 years old, will have a grant of 100 Acres. If one Brother only is above that age, he may take out his Brother, who will, on attaining the age, have a similar grant of Land given under similar conditions.

19. A young Man, under or above 21, may take out his Sister on the same terms as a Wife, as specified in the regulations, upon depositing Two Guineas,—but not more than One Sister.

20. The Settlers will be forwarded as Troops are forwarded, from Quebec to their place of [illegible]

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LANDS.

1. The Settlers shall have the option as to the Province, whether of Upper or Lower Canada, but the precise spot must be regulated by the Governor of the Colony.

2. The grants of Land will be made under the same regulations as all grants of Land in Canada are made. No new ones will be imposed.

3. The Grant will be made on their arrival, by Deed, free of expense, and will, as all other Grants do, revert to the Crown, upon being abandoned or not cultivated by the Settlers.

4. In answer to a query which has been frequently put, Whether Government sell Lands in Canada?—it will be noticed, that there is no difficulty in making Purchases in Canada, or in obtaining Leases of Crown Lands to any extent. Persons with capital who take out Labourers, will receive larger grants, proportioned to their capital, and their means of cultivation.

DEPOSIT.

5. The Deposit of L.16, for persons above the age of sixteen, and Two Guineas for wives, &c. is indispensible. No security can be taken in lieu of money. This is intended both as a pledge that the Settlers shall perform the conditions on their part, and to prevent persons from availing themselves of a passage to the United States. It also prev[illegible] persons of bad character from obtruding themselves among respectable Settlers.

CERTIFICATES.

6. Applicants are desired to be particular in the Certificates they lodge, in terms of the Paper formerly published of 22d February last.—General good character,—their occupation,—former pursuits, if changed,—whether married, unmarried, or widowers,—the number of their children or grandchildren, distinguishing male and female,—the ages of all.

7. Recourse must be had to Parish Registers for proof of Marriages and Births, or, where this cannot be obtained, other satisfactory evidence. Application may be made for this purpose to Magistrates, Clergymen, Elders of the Parish, Schoolmasters, or other respectable persons, with a reference to persons here or at Glasgow, when necessary.

8. It will be necessary that those who have made up their minds to proceed to Quebec, shall immediately produce the necessary Certificates, and lodge their Deposit, in order that when the number is filled up for this season, the Public may be apprised, to prevent disappointment, especially to those at a distance.

LIMITATION OF NUMBERS.

9. His Majesty's Government have judged it expedient to limit the [illegible] with passages from Scotland to Canada, for this Season, to

Two Thousand persons of the [illegible] of Sixteen and upwards, [illegible]

Hours of Attendance for Applicants.—[illegible]

they go out as Independent Settlers, *i. e.* each Brother, above 21 years old, will have a grant of 100 Acres. If one Brother only is above that age, he may take out his Brother, who will, on attaining the age, have a similar grant of Land given under similar conditions.

19. A young Man, under or above 21, may take out his Sister on the same terms as a Wife, as specified in the regulations, upon depositing Two Guineas,—but not more than One Sister.

20. The Settlers will be forwarded as Troops are forwarded, from Quebec to their place of residence, either on foot or otherways, as may appear most expedient to the Governor.

21. Any Settlers wishing to settle together will be permitted to do so, on stating their intentions previous to sailing. Each Settler above 21 will, whether single or in company with others, have 100 Acres, as stated in the Conditions.

22. Single Women will not be permitted to proceed as Settlers, unless they are Daughters of a Settler, or, as above mentioned, the Sister of a Settler.

23. No Encouragement will be given to Widows, with Families or without; but her Children may go out as independent Settlers, upon the footing already stated.

24. A Wife may follow her Husband at a future Embarkation, in case such shall take place, upon her depositing Two Guineas.

25. Grandchildren will be permitted to go out, and will receive the same encouragement as Children accompanied by their Parents, on their attaining the age of 21

26. The term *Prime Cost*, as relative to Implements and Rations, is to be understood to be what the articles cost in this country, (Great Britain,) and is therefore Sterling money.

27. All Persons above 16 must make the Deposit required, whether Servants or others.

28. His Majesty's Government are to extend the Bounty mentioned in the terms already published for Clergymen, Pastors, and Schoolmasters, without any distinction of religious sect, and they will each be entitled to 100 Acres. They must each deposit the same money as the common Settlers.

29. The assistance required in building their Churches, Chapels, Houses, School-houses, &c. or Inclosures, if such shall be required, must be given by the Settlers who accompany them.

30. In anwer to a Query put, Whether Government give Arms and Ammunition to Settlers, or any part of them, for protecting themselves? They will be protected, as all other Settlers are; but there is no necessity, from the nature of the place, for arming individuals, except in case of actual war; and in regard to arms for private use, every man may, in this, exercise his own discretion, as in other British dominions.

31. Rations will be allowed, free of any charge or deduction, for a limited time, as per conditions of 22d February last. The Governor will exercise a discretion afterwards on this point, according to the circumstances of the case

32. It is not intended to encourage other Mechanics than those who may be useful in Agriculture, or in making a first settlement, such as Carpenters, Masons, Bricklayers, Smiths, &c.

* * *No person whatever in the Highlands, or Hebrides, or elsewhere, have any delegated authority from the Government Agent to induce persons to become Settlers in Canada.*

JOHN CAMPBELL.

Edinburgh, March 24th, 1815.
ABERCROMBY PLACE.

From 6 to 9 in the Evening.—And for those coming 2 to 4 Afternoon.